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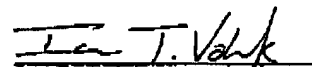
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hiroyuki OKAHIRA et al  
Serial No. : 10/042,032  
Filed : October 25, 2001  
For : APPARATUS FOR INSPECTING  
A SUBSTRATE  
Art Unit : 2877  
Examiner : Tu T. Nguyen

Commissioner for Patents  
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Respectfully submitted,



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Responsive to a telephone conversation with Examiner Nguyen on September 10, 2003 indicating that a Response to a Final Rejection in the above-identified application has not yet been received by the USPTO, transmitted herewith is the Response to the Final Rejection which was due on August 22, 2003 and was mailed by Express Mail on August 20, 2003, and which was re-submitted by facsimile on September 2, 2003.

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2003, and (iv) a copy of the Automatically Generated Return Receipt confirming that the USPTO received all 11 pages of the facsimile transmission submitted on September 2, 2003.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
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This is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed  
May 22, 2003, the term for response to which expires on  
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